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- (X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
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(X) No additional fee
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 26 | MINUS | 28 | = 0 | X \$18 | \$ 0 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 2 | MINUS | 3 | = 0 | X \$88 | \$ 0 |
| [] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | + \$300 | \$ 0 |
| EXTENSION FEE | 1ST MONTH \$110.00 | 2ND MONTH \$430.00 | 3RD MONTH \$980.00 | 4TH MONTH \$1530.00 | | \$ 0 |
| OTHER FEES | | | | | | \$ |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$ 0 |

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In response to the Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 15, 2004, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 14.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

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